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For: MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR ANTAGONISTS AND MODULATIONS OF MELANOCORTIN RECEPTOR ACTIVITY

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

This application claims priority from each of the following Application Nos./filing dates: **09/031,902 filed February 27, 1998**, the disclosure(s) of which is (are) incorporated by reference.

Please amend this application by adding the following before the first sentence: "This application is a [] continuation, [X] divisional of, [] continuation-in-part of, and claims the benefit of U.S. Application No. **09/031,902**, filed **February 27, 1998**, the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference for all purposes."

Enclosed are:

33 pages of the description (including specification, claims and abstract)
 1 sheet(s) of [] formal informal drawing(s)
 1 page abstract
 10 number of claims
 an assignment of the invention to The Regents of the University of California
 a signed [] unsigned copy of Declaration from prior application
 a Power of Attorney
 a certified copy of a _____ application cover sheet
 Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97
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 a verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27
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 (X) was filed in the prior application and small entity status is still proper and desired
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 Preliminary amendment

In view of the Unsigned Declaration as filed with this application and pursuant to 37 CFR §1.53(f),
 Applicant requests deferral of the filing fee until submission of the Missing Parts of Application.

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